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Honorable Richard M. Berman
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Honorable Sidney H. Stein
United States District Judge
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Re: *United States v. Aafia Siddiqui*
08 Cr. 826 (RMB)
United States v. Uzair Paracha,
03 Cr. 1197 (SHS)

SO ORDERED:

Date: 9/12/08

Richard M. Berman
Richard M. Berman, U.S.D.J.

Dear Judge Berman and Judge Stein:

The Government respectfully submits this letter to bring to Your Honors' attention potential overlap in the cases of *United States v. Aafia Siddiqui*, 08 Cr. 826 (RMB), which was assigned to Judge Berman last week, and *United States v. Uzair Paracha*, 03 Cr. 1197 (SHS), which was tried before Judge Stein in 2005. Siddiqui is an unindicted co-conspirator in the conspiracy for which Paracha was convicted. The Government continues to investigate Siddiqui's conduct with respect to that conspiracy, but the current charges against her — attempted murder of United States nationals, officers and employees, among other counts — are not related to the conspiracy at issue in *Paracha*.


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We are, of course, ready to provide any additional information that Your Honors may require.

Respectfully submitted,

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